IN RE REQUESTED FILING OF RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION BASED ON THE FOLLOWING PENDING PRIOR PATENT APPLICATION:

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Title:

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SYSTEM

Group Art Unit:

3762

Examiner:

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Attorney's Docket No.: FA-63 CIP

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 4, please insert:

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Remarks

As noted in the accompanying REQUEST FOR FILING RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION APPLICATION, this is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 08/797,426, filed 02/10/97 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM. amendment is intended to make this fact of record in the specification of this continuation application.

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